



## Early Journal Content on JSTOR, Free to Anyone in the World

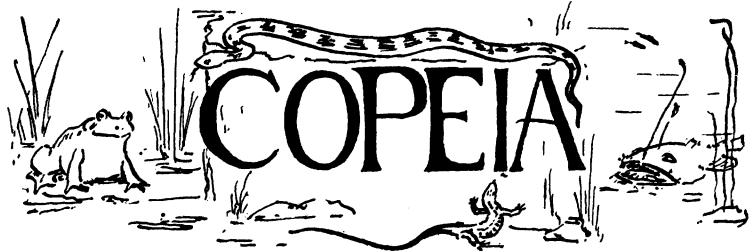
This article is one of nearly 500,000 scholarly works digitized and made freely available to everyone in the world by JSTOR.

Known as the Early Journal Content, this set of works include research articles, news, letters, and other writings published in more than 200 of the oldest leading academic journals. The works date from the mid-seventeenth to the early twentieth centuries.

We encourage people to read and share the Early Journal Content openly and to tell others that this resource exists. People may post this content online or redistribute in any way for non-commercial purposes.

Read more about Early Journal Content at <http://about.jstor.org/participate-jstor/individuals/early-journal-content>.

JSTOR is a digital library of academic journals, books, and primary source objects. JSTOR helps people discover, use, and build upon a wide range of content through a powerful research and teaching platform, and preserves this content for future generations. JSTOR is part of ITHAKA, a not-for-profit organization that also includes Ithaka S+R and Portico. For more information about JSTOR, please contact [support@jstor.org](mailto:support@jstor.org).



*Published by the contributors to advance the Science of cold-blooded vertebrates.*

## PICKERING'S *HYLA* ACTIVE IN JANUARY.

On January 30, 1914, I heard two Spring Peepers (*Hyla pickeringii*) singing at noon in a swamp at Brookhaven, Long Island, N. Y. There would be a series of half a dozen or more peeps followed by a silence of about five minutes; the frogs responded twice to my whistled imitations of their calls. The temperature of the air was 56° F. in the shade; there was a gentle wind blowing from the southwest, and the sun shone dimly through fog clouds. Much ice was still to be seen on the ponds; the temperature had been warm for several days previously.

FRANK OVERTON,  
*Patchogue, N. Y.*

## A NOTE ON THE PURRING GOURAMI.

Although not as highly colored as most of the Labyrinth-fishes from the Far East, *Otenops vittatus*, commonly called the Purring Gourami, commands more than usual attention because of its being able to produce purring sounds.

It is a small fish, seldom over 2 inches in length, and not often seen in aquaria in this country, as it is very delicate as regards changes in temperature and handling. Only recently has it been my good fortune to have a few pairs of them for any length of time.

The purring sound is heard very frequently during the mating period; it is a short, sharp brrr-brrr, like the sound produced by throwing pebbles in rapid succession against glass. In doing it the fish, with gill-covers, tail and fins extended, shakes himself violently, and the purring, according to its strength, can be heard distinctly for a distance of 25 feet and more.

RICHARD DORN,  
*Upper Montclair, N. J.*

## AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES OBSERVED AT BEVERLY, N. J.

During the past five years I have noted and collected the following amphibians and reptiles in my locality:

- Plethodon erythronotus*—Under logs in woodland.  
*Spelerpes bislineatus*—Under stones in creek bottoms.  
*Desmognathus fusca*—Under stones in streams.  
*Bufo americanus*—Gardens.  
*Acris gryllus crepitans*—Pond edges.  
*Hyla pickeringii*—Marshes and gardens.  
*Hyla versicolor*—Garden.  
*Rana pipiens*—Grassy pools.  
*Rana palustris*—Meadows and contiguous woodland.  
*Rana catesbeiana*—Creek borders.  
*Rana sylvatica*—Wet woodland.  
*Natrix sipedon*—Creeks and river meadows.  
*Bascanion constrictor*—Low, wet wood growths.  
*Thamnophis sirtalis*—Low meadows. (Both striped and spotted.)  
*Heterodon platirhinos*—Dry fields and woodlands. (Both dark and light phases.)  
*Sceloporus undulatus*—Pine lands.  
*Chelydra serpentina*—Creeks.  
*Kinosternon pensylvanicum*—Muddy streams, takes the brook.  
*Sternotherus odoratus*—Muddy streams, takes the brook.  
*Chrysemys picta*—Creeks.  
*Clemmys muhlenbergii*—Meadow streams.  
*Clemmys insculpta*—Low woods.  
*Clemmys guttata*—Creeks.  
*Terrapene carolina*—Meadows.

J. F. STREET,  
*Beverly, N. J.*